Bergen Community College Division of Health Professions Dental Hygiene Department

Student Course Outline

COURSE TITLE: DHY 216 -HY

Community Oral Health II

1 credit - 30 hours

PREREQUISITES: DHY-202, DHY-204, DHY-205, DHY-206,

DHY-207, DHY-219

TERM: SPRING SEMESTER

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This partially online course will provide students with an opportunity to engage in practicum designed community oral health experiences related to health promotion, community outreach and interdisciplinary opportunities over the course of the semester and apply the principles learned in Community Oral Health I to the practicum experiences.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of the DHY- 216 course the student will be able to:

- 1. Identify career opportunities in the public health sector available to dental hygienists.
- 2. Discuss the Healthy People 2020 initiative and identify four oral health objectives included in the initiative.
- 3. Identify, compare and discuss oral health programs at the national, state and local levels.
- 4. Identify, compare, and analyze community-based oral health initiatives.

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- 5. Identify agencies at the local, county, state and national levels that influence access, delivery and of oral health services.
- 6. Analyze the impact of health literacy and cultural competence in the design of community oral health initiatives.
- 7. Utilize health promotion, health communication and health marketing strategies to develop a practicum proposal.
- 8. Develop an interdisciplinary oral health initiative.
- 9. Develop an oral health promotion initiative.
- 10. Develop a community oral health outreach initiative.

Core Competencies

- **C1** Apply a professional code of ethics in all endeavors.
- **C2** Adhere to state and federal laws, recommendations and regulations in the provision of dental hygiene care.
- **C3** Provide dental hygiene care to promote patient health and wellness using critical thinking and problem solving in the provision of evidenced based practice.
- **C4** Assume responsibility for dental hygiene actions and care based in accepted scientific theories and research as well as the accepted standard of care.
- **C5** Advance the profession through service activities and affiliations with professional organizations.
- **C6** Communicate effectively with individuals and groups from diverse populations both verbally and in writing.
- C7 Provide accurate, consistent and complete documentation for assessment, diagnosis, planning, implementation and evaluation of dental hygiene services.
- **C8** Provide care to all patients using an individualized approach that is humane, empathetic, and caring.

Health Promotion and Disease Prevention

- **HP1** Promote the values of oral and general health and wellness to the public and organizations within and outside the profession.
- **HP2** Respect the goals, values, beliefs, and preferences of patients while promoting optimal oral and general health.
- **HP3** Refer patients who may have a physiologic, psychological, and/or social problem for a comprehensive evaluation.
- **HP4** Identify individual and population risk factors and develop strategies that promote health related quality of life.
- **HP5** Evaluate factors that can be used to promote patient adherence to disease prevention and/or health maintenance strategies.
- **HP6** Evaluate and utilize methods to ensure the health and safety of the patient and the dental hygienist in the delivery of dental hygiene.

Community

- **CM1** Assess the oral health needs of the community and the quality of resources and services.
- **CM 2** Provide screening, referral, and educational services that allow clients to access the resources of the health care system
- **CM3** Provide community oral health services in a variety of settings.
- **CM4** Facilitate access to oral health services by influencing individuals and organizations for the provision of oral health care.
- **CM6** Evaluate the outcomes of community-based programs and plan for future activities.

COURSE TEXTS

Nathe, C., *Dental Public Health, Contemporary Practice for the Dental Hygienist,* 3rd edition, 2011, Pearson/Prentice Hal, Saddle River, NJ (ISBN:0-13-113444-2)

RECOMMENDED

Purnell, LD., Paulanka, BJ., *Transcultural Health Care- A Culturally Competent Approach*, 3rdnd edition,2008, F.A. Davis Company, Philadelphia, PA

INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES

Available in the library & computer labs

Journal of Public Health Dentistry
Journal of Dental Hygiene (JDH)
Journal of Periodontology
Journal of the American Dental Association (JADA)
Journal of Dental Education
Internet Journal of Allied Health Science and Practice
Journal of Dental Research
Journal of Oral Pathology
Access
RDH Magazine

Internet Resources

There are a significant number of Community Oral Health resource Weblinks listed on the Moodle site.

This syllabus is subject to change

Class Meeting Schedule (subject to change) 50 minutes in length

January	Course Overview Practicum Discussion
February	Development of Practicum Experience Proposal IP,CO, HP Practicum Experience
March	Practicum Experience COH NBDHE Review
April	Practicum Experience Practicum Presentations
May	Wrap Up

Online/On-Campus Meeting Schedule

Week 1 On Campus Course Overview Community Profiles	Week 2 Online Proposal Development Practicum Partner Meetings
Week 3 Online Practicum #1 Needs Assessment Proposal due	Week 4 On Campus Oral Health Initiatives
Week 5 Online Practicum Development Practicum Partner Meetings	Week 6 On Campus Practicum #2 Needs Assessment Proposal due
Week 7 Online Faith-based Initiatives Practicum #3 Needs Assessment Proposal due	Week 8 On-Campus NBDHE Review

Week 9 Spring Break	Week 10 On Campus Dental Hygiene in an Integrated Health Care System
Week 11 On Campus Practicum Partner Meetings	Week 12 Online Practicum Partner Meetings
Week 13 Online Pathways for the Future	Week 14 On Campus All Practicum Experiences Completed
Week 15 On-Campus Practicum Presentations Practicum 1, 2, 3 Summary Report due (before class)	,

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